Construction of a culvert in the cart-track leading from Veparalla to Kanekal.

* 23 *Q.*—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the cart-track leading from Veparalla and other villages to Kanekal and certain other villages, crosses the supply channel leading to Kanekal tank near Veparalla and whether the use of this cart-track during rainy season at the spot where it crosses the channel is difficult and dangerous; and

(*b*) whether it is proposed by the Government, now or in the near future, to construct a small culvert at the spot in question?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The Government have not the information but have called for a report.

Land Revenue Administration

Preference to Probationary Revenue Inspectors for appointment as Deputy Tahsildars.

11-30 a.m. * 24 *Q.*—Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state whether in making appointments to the posts of Deputy Tahsildars, persons who have been directly recruited as Probationary Revenue Inspectors are given preference; and, if not, why they are not given such preference?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is drawn to the answer to clause (*b*) of question No. 1079 asked at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 22nd March 1932.

Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed:—" May I know whether Government will issue instructions that persons who had been recruited as probationary revenue inspectors are to be given preference when appointments to the deputy tahsildars' posts take place?"

The hon. Sir Archibald Campbell:—" No."

Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed:—" May I know whether there are any particular reasons prevailing with the Government for not issuing such instructions? "

The hon. Sir Archibald Campbell:—" There are no reasons for issuing such instructions."

Relief to people in areas affected by cyclone in Malabar.

* 25 *Q.*—Mr. R. M. Palat: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government are aware that the cyclone which passed over Malabar towards the end of last May has inflicted great loss on certain parts of the district; and